

## INFORMATION

- ▶ **[New Service] We have commenced the design, production, and sales of space in the metaverse, offering innovative metaverse services.**



Under the concept of "infinite creation, one technology, into the unknown," GARDE inaugurated its new metaverse business in 2023. At the Metaverse Expo Tokyo, attendees had the opportunity to immerse themselves in COCO WARP, the Metaverse Museum designed and produced by GARDE, and operated in collaboration with Aoyama Design Forum.

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- ▶ **GARDE is spearheading the planning and production of the "Regional Revitalization Design Award," a project commemorating the 140th anniversary of Tobishima's establishment.**



GARDE is dedicated to aligning with the client's vision and offering support in brand building and value enhancement through the three pillars of "consulting," "design," and "coordination." Currently, GARDE is actively engaged in the "Regional Revitalization Design Award," a project planned and produced to commemorate the 140th anniversary of Tobishima Corporation's establishment.

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## TREND REPORT

Here are some of the world reports that had a particularly positive response in the past year. Click [here](#) to read the articles.



### Thailand

The InterContinental Khao Yai resort is a unique hotel that repurposes decommissioned train carriages sourced from various locations across Thailand. These train carriages are transported to Khao Yai and skillfully transformed into luxurious accommodations, offering guests a distinctive and memorable stay.



### NYC

The American Museum of Natural History is a beloved destination for both locals and tourists. The recent addition of the Richard Gilder Center for Science, Education, and Innovation has enhanced its appeal. The newly completed facility features a seamless and visually captivating cave-like structure, adding to the museum's allure.



### Berlin

Blumental is a spacious open-air café with an impressive height of over 4.40 meters. Embracing sustainability, the restaurant focuses on serving vegan dishes. Notably, any food waste is meticulously composted using a garbage disposer and repurposed as fertilizer for the lush greenery that adorns the café.



### Korea

The cultural complex Made Lim was originally a church with a 120-year heritage. Designed to preserve the unique history of this location while intersecting the passage of time to the present day, it offers an overwhelming scale of nature to experience.



### Paris

Hotel Zoku has recently opened its doors in Paris, garnering attention for its innovative concept as a hybrid hotel-home and office. With the goal of becoming a second home and community for professionals and nomadic workers who traverse the globe, it offers a unique and versatile space.

## PROJECTS

A selection of projects featured in the 2023 newsletter



~Timeless design that harmonizes the present and the past~

### Designing the Common Space of CREVIA Ogikubo

The retro-modern atmosphere of the common space which spreads out after passing through the entrance is expressed in a way that combines the two sides of Ogikubo, the sense of a mansion and the sense of a city. By incorporating the good qualities of both, we have created a space not only with a sense of nostalgia, but also a sense of dignity and luxury.

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~Worldwide real estate services company~

### Involvement with the Construction of the JLL Osaka Office

JLL is a global comprehensive real estate service company, offering a wide range of real estate-related services worldwide. GARDE played a pivotal role in this project, handling tasks such as interior design, implementation design, electromechanical equipment design, construction supervision, FF&E management, and graphic design.

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~Offering serene rejuvenation, and infusing guests with energy for the coming day~

### Interior design for Hotel Hankyu GRAN RESPIRE OSAKA

The Umekita Project stands as a notable mixed-use development initiative located on the former freight yard grounds in front of Osaka Station. GARDE took charge of designing the upscale hotel resulting from this project, infusing the space with a design concept focused on "crafting a serene and inviting atmosphere in the heart of the city."

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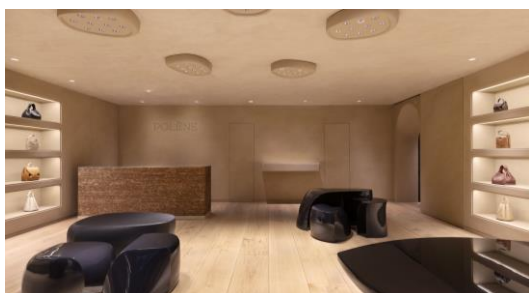


~Smartphone case and tech accessory brand that became popular on SNS~

### Involved in the Production of CASETiFY STUDIO AMU PLAZA HAKATA and CASETiFY OSAKA.

GARDE was entrusted with the design, local architecture, and construction of two noteworthy projects: Amu Plaza Hakata, the inaugural store in the Kyushu area, and Osaka, the premier flagship store in the brand's portfolio.

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~A hot brand from Paris dealing in leather goods.~

### GARDE is taking part in the creation of Polène's Inaugural Flagship Store in Asia.

Polène, based in Paris, has been offering its products through a flagship store and an online platform since 2016. In 2023, Polène will finally open its first flagship store in Asia in the Omotesando area of Tokyo.

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~Reflecting SHIBUYA, a City of Diversity, in Interior Design~

## GARDE for Hyatt House Tokyo Shibuya

Under the core concept of "Don't just stay – live," this establishment strives to offer a spacious and high-class environment, ensuring guests experience both comfort and convenience. GARDE played a pivotal role in this endeavor, taking charge of the hotel's interior design, encompassing everything from public areas to guest rooms.

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~Stands out as the top revenue-generating department store in the region~

## Renovated Yanji Department Store

Yanji Department Store has initiated a floor-by-floor renovation project. Building on the success of the 6th-floor kids' section renovation last year, GARDE has undertaken the responsibility for the interior design of the 4th men's floor and 2nd ladies' floor.

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## AWARDS

GARDE actively participates in numerous national and international awards annually, with a steadfast commitment to showcasing the excellence of its spaces and designs, even after the completion of property projects. Awards that have been received in 2023 are listed below.

### Awarded Projects

#### ◆ Candeo Hotels Kyoto Karasuma Rokkaku

Candeo Hotels Kyoto Karasuma Rokkaku is a unique establishment situated within a valuable machiya (townhouse), recognized as a tangible cultural property in Kyoto City. This historic property has been meticulously preserved, renovated, and redesigned to infuse new value into the hotel. In the realm of design, the overarching concept for this project aims to capture and enhance the inherent virtues of the Banke Residence. The historical significance of this treasure is metaphorically likened to the brilliance of a jewel, with interiors adorned by glittering decorations reminiscent of bijoux (jewelry).

[Official website](#)

#### ◆ Prince Smart Inn Kyoto Sanjo

The central theme of the interior design for the main space is "Onchochishin," encapsulating the warmth, nostalgia, and innovation cultivated by Kyoto over an extensive period. This concept is seamlessly blended with inorganic modern industrial materials like concrete and deck plates. Additionally, sustainable materials and furnishings, such as bare bulbs and a substantial table crafted from century-old lumber, have been incorporated with a keen awareness of sustainability. The overall design of the building envisions a future that fosters the continued development of the innovation that Kyoto represents.

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We look forward to bringing you more content in 2024.